

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

CUSTOMER NO. 22927

Applicants: Walker *et al.*
Application No.: 09/685,079
Filed: October 6, 2000
Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS WHEREIN A SECURITY
DEPOSIT FACILITATES A TRANSACTION IN WHICH A
BENEFIT IS APPLIED IN EXCHANGE FOR PERFORMANCE
OF A TASK
Attorney Docket No.: 00-039

Group Art Unit: 3627
Examiner: Luna Champagne

RESPONSE
to the Non-final Office Action mailed January 11, 2007

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

In response to the Non-final Office Action mailed January 11, 2007, (imposing a Restriction Requirement and having a Shortened Statutory Period for Reply of one (1) month from the mailing date of the Non-Final Office Action), please consider the following remarks.